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Status of documentation

Note by the Secretariat

1. In accordance with paragraph 8 of the annex to Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX), the fifty-sixth session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will be held at Headquarters tentatively from 31 May to 24 June 2016.

2. In its resolution 1988/77 on its revitalization, the Council reiterated that the Secretariat should circulate relevant documentation in all working languages six weeks before the opening of the sessions of the Council and its subsidiary organs.

3. In its resolution 53/208 B on the pattern of conferences, the General Assembly: (a) reiterated its request to the Secretary-General to ensure that documents were available in accordance with the six-week rule for their distribution simultaneously in the six official languages; (b) reaffirmed its decision that, if a report was issued late, the reasons for the delay should be indicated when the report was introduced; and (c) decided that, if a report was submitted late to the conference services, the reasons for the delay should be included in a footnote to the document.

4. In section IV of its resolution 64/230 on the pattern of conferences, the General Assembly expressed deep concern at the unprecedented high level of late submission of documentation, which, in turn, had a negative impact on the functioning of intergovernmental bodies, and, reiterating its request in its subsequent resolutions on the pattern of conferences, the latest of which was resolution 70/9, urged author departments to fully adhere to deadlines in meeting the goal of 90 per cent submission compliance.

5. Also in its resolutions on the pattern of conferences, the General Assembly reiterated its request that the Secretary-General direct all departments of the Secretariat to include the following elements in their reports:

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(a) A summary of the report;

(b) Consolidated conclusions, recommendations and other proposed actions;

(c) Relevant background information.

6. In those same resolutions, the General Assembly also reiterated its request that all documents submitted to legislative organs by the Secretariat and expert bodies for consideration and action have conclusions and recommendations in bold print.

7. In section IV, paragraph 74 of its resolution 70/9 on the pattern of conferences, the General Assembly reaffirmed its decision in section III, paragraph 9, of its resolution 59/265 that the issuance of documents in all six official languages on planning, budgetary and administrative matters requiring urgent consideration by the General Assembly should be accorded priority.

Annex

Status of preparedness of documentation for the fifty-sixth session of the Committee for Programme and Coordination

Agenda item	*Document symbol*	*Title or description*	*Estimated date of issuance*	*Status of issuance*
2.	**Adoption of the agenda and organization of work**			
	E/AC.51/2016/1	Annotated provisional agenda		Issued
	E/AC.51/2016/L.1	Note by the Secretariat: status of documentation		Issued
	E/AC.51/2016/L.2	Note by the Secretariat: reports of the Joint Inspection Unit (Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 59/267)		Issued
3.	**Programme questions**			
(a)	**Programme performance**			
	Programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 2014-2015			
	A/71/75	Report of the Secretary-General on the programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 2014-2015	16 May	
(b)	**Programme planning**			
	(i) Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017			
	A/71/___	Report of the Secretary-General: consolidated report on the changes to the biennial programme plan as reflected in the programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017	To be determined	
	(ii) Proposed strategic framework for the period 2018-2019			
	A/71/6 (Part one)	Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed strategic framework for the period 2018-2019: part one, plan outline (General Assembly resolutions 59/275, 61/235, 62/224, 63/247, 67/236 and 69/17)		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 1)	General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 2)	Political affairs		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 3)	Disarmament		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 4)	Peacekeeping operations		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 5)	Peaceful uses of outer space		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 6)	Legal affairs		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 7)	Economic and social affairs		Issued

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	A/71/6 (Prog. 8)	Least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 9)	United Nations support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 10)	Trade and development		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 11)	Environment		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 12)	Human settlements		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 13)	International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 14)	Gender equality and empowerment of women		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 15)	Economic and social development in Africa		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 16)	Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 17)	Economic development in Europe		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 18)	Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 19)	Economic and social development in Western Asia		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 20)	Human rights		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 21)	International protection, durable solutions and assistance to refugees		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 22)	Palestine refugees		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 23)	Humanitarian assistance		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 24)	Public information		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 25)	Management and support services	25 April	
	A/71/6 (Prog. 26)	Internal oversight		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 27)	Jointly financed activities		Issued
	A/71/6 (Prog. 28)	Safety and security		Issued
	E/AC.51/2016/CRP.1	Note by the Secretariat on the proposed strategic framework for the period 2018-2019: review of part two: biennial programme plan by sectoral, functional and regional bodies	To be determined	

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(c)	**Evaluation**			
	E/AC.51/2016/2	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its fifty-third session on the programme evaluation of the United Nations Environment Programme		Issued
	E/AC.51/2016/3	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its fifty-third session on the programme evaluation of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs		Issued
	E/AC.51/2016/4	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations made by the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its fifty-third session on the programme evaluation of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime		Issued
4.	**Coordination questions**			
(a)	**Report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination**			
	E/2016/56	Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2015 (Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX))		Issued
(b)	**New Partnership for Africa's Development**			
	E/AC.51/2016/5	Report of the Secretary-General on United Nations system support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development (General Assembly resolution 59/275)		Issued
5.	**Report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit**			
	A/70/686	Joint Inspection Unit report entitled "Analysis of the evaluation function in the United Nations system"		Issued
	A/70/686/Add.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Analysis of the evaluation function in the United Nations system"		Issued

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6.	**Provisional agenda for the fifty-seventh session**			
	E/AC.51/2016/L.3	Note by the Secretariat: provisional agenda and documentation for the fifty-seventh session of the Committee (Economic and Social Council resolution 1894 (LVII))		
7.	**Adoption of the report of the Committee on its fifty-sixth session**			
	E/AC.51/2016/L.4 and addenda	Draft report of the Committee		